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- 5. On 26 Apr 54, Soviet troops, belonging to the 3rd Engineer Regiment, and units of the 48th Motorized Regiment reached Burgas. They are on their way to Kayalii. The troops arrived by sea from Odessa. It was at first supposed that they would merely pass through Bulgaria. It now appears, however, that they are to be permanently stationed there. Source is further investigating their movements.
- 6. All this may have some relation to the morale of the Bulgarian Army, which may be bad and which certainly has weak spots. It may need Soviet support. Five Bulgarian soldiers had to be punished in the Yambol area for denouncing some of the things they had seen the Communists do. On 3 May 54, Mako Potchitev and Petka Megelov were executed for having led opposition to taxes and sabotage agricultural production. Fourteen others were deported. It was to some of these incidents that the soldiers objected. A Soviet political inspector is being sent to investigate the situation at Karaboca [sic] which is a center of "nationalist reactionaries."

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